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## RESPONSE AND ELECTION (In response to Paper No. 6)

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This communication is filed in response to the Office action dated March 20, 2003. The one month period for responding to the Office action expires on April 20, 2003.

1) The Examiner has required Applicant to elect a single species for prosecution on the merits. Applicant hereby elects to proceed with Group 1, claims 1-11.

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